

Admission /Discharge Criteria

ALR	ALR Special Needs	ALR Enhanced (Aging in Place)
<p>A resident is not appropriate for an ALR if he/she requires or is in need of Enhanced Assisted Living where a resident with chronic needs may age in place as long as they do not need 24 hour skilled nursing care or medical care that would necessitate placement in a hospital or residential health care community.</p> <p>A resident who has the needs that are outlined in column 3 under ALR Enhanced are not appropriate for admission or retention in an ALR.</p> <p>ALR admission/discharge criteria is the same as the adult home and enriched housing program admission /discharge criteria which is outlined as follows:</p> <p>An operator shall admit, retain and care for only those individuals who do not require</p>	<p>A resident is not appropriate for an ALR – Special Needs if he/she requires or is in need of enhanced assisted living unless the ALR – Special Needs is also certified as an ALR – Enhanced Residence.</p> <p>An ALR who advertises or markets itself as serving individuals with special needs, including those with generally-accepted distinct subsets of similar cognitive, medical, functional, or other care needs must submit a plan to the Department setting forth how the special needs of such residents will be safely and appropriately met at the residence.</p> <p>In an ALR Special Needs program for dementia, the admission /discharge criteria is the same as the ALR with the addition of the following:</p> <p>The operators must provide a comprehensive plan to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. assess the applicant/resident and 2. identify interventions for behavioral issues, especially for residents 	<p>The ALR Enhanced program may not admit any resident in need of 24-hour skilled nursing care. The EALR may admit either from an ALR or from the community and retain a resident who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is chronically chairfast and unable to transfer, or chronically require the physical assistance of another person(s) to transfer; • Chronically require the physical assistance of another person(s) to walk; • Chronically require the physical assistance of another person(s) to climb or descend stairs; • Is dependent on medical equipment and require more than intermittent or occasional assistance from medical personnel; or

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<p>services beyond those the operator is permitted to provide.</p> <p>An operator shall not accept nor retain any person who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires intermittent or ongoing skilled nursing that cannot be met by a Home Care Services Agency. • Suffers from a serious and persistent mental disability sufficient to warrant placement in a residential facility; • Requires health or mental health services, which are not available or cannot be provided. • Causes, or is likely to cause, danger to himself or others; • Repeatedly behaves in a manner which directly 	<p>who, without such interventions, would be inappropriate for admission/retention because they :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronically exhibit unmanageable assaultive or aggressive behavior; • Are chronically: intrusive, disruptive, or exhibit other behavioral characteristics to the extent that they interfere with the orderly operation of the facility; • Chronically attempt to elope to the extent that they present a danger to themselves or interfere with the orderly operation of the facility; or • Are chronically uncooperative or resistive to the provision of personal care services, including any necessary toileting program and assistance with medications, as well as other services, to the extent that such care cannot be maintained or managed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has chronic unmanaged urinary or bowel incontinence. <p>No resident shall be permitted to continue to age in place unless the operator, the resident's physician, and, if applicable, the resident's licensed or certified home care agency agree that the additional needs of the resident can be safely and appropriately met at the residence.</p> <p>Resident or representative shall submit to the residence a written report from a physician stating that the physician has physically examined the resident within the last month and the resident is not in need of 24-hour skilled nursing care or medical care which would require placement in a hospital or residential health care facility.</p> <p>If a resident reaches a point where he/she requires (24-hour skilled nursing care, etc), the resident must be discharged from the residence and the operator</p>

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<p>impairs the well-being, care or safety of the resident or other residents, or which substantially interferes with the orderly operation of the facility;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a medical condition which is unstable and which requires continual skilled observation of symptoms and reactions or accurate recording of such skilled observations for the purposes of reporting to the resident's physician; • Refuses or is unable to comply with a prescribed treatment program, including but not limited to a prescribed medications regimen when such failure causes, or is likely to cause, in the judgment of a physician, life-threatening danger to the resident or others; 		<p>must initiate proceedings for the termination of the residency agreement.</p> <p>HOWEVER, a resident may remain at the residence if each of the following conditions are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resident hires appropriate nursing, medical, or hospice staff to care for increased needs; • Resident's physician and home care agency both determine and document that, with the provision of such additional nursing, medical, or hospice care, the resident can be safely cared for in the residence, and would not require placement in a (hospital, nursing home, etc); • Operator agrees to retain the resident and to coordinate the care provided by the operator and the additional nursing,

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is chronically bedfast; • Is chronically chairfast and unable to transfer, or chronically requires the physical assistance of another person to transfer; • Chronically requires the physical assistance of another person in order to walk; • Chronically requires the physical assistance of another person to climb or descend stairs, unless assignment on a floor with ground-level egress can be made; • Has chronic unmanaged urinary or bowel incontinence, unless there are sufficient services provided to ensure that cleanliness, sanitation, and skin integrity are 		<p>medical, or hospice staff; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resident is otherwise eligible to reside at the residence.

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<p>maintained; and provided that the resident is cooperative, not resistive to the provision of assistance with this personal care need.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suffers from a communicable disease or health condition which constitutes a danger to other residents and staff; • Is dependent on medical equipment, unless it has been demonstrated that the following conditions are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the equipment presents no safety hazard; - use of the equipment does not restrict the individual to his room, impede the individual in the event of evacuation, or inhibit participation in the routine activities of 		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the home; - use of the equipment does not restrict or impede the activities of other residents; - the individual is able to use and maintain the equipment with only intermittent or occasional assistance from medical personnel; - such assistance, if needed, is available from residence staff or approved community resources; and each required medical evaluation attests to the individual's ability to use and maintain the equipment; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engages in alcohol or drug use, which results in 		

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aggressive or destructive behavior; or • Is under 18 years of age.		

The Retention Standard Waiver Program (RSWP) will be phased out through the aging out of residents currently occupying a RSWP bed. Residents who are currently in the RSWP will be allowed to remain in their non-ALR or ALR residence; however, no new residents will be accepted into the RSWP and no new RSWP programs will be approved by the Department of Health. No other resident will be allowed to occupy a bed under an existing RSWP once it is vacated. All Adult Homes, Enriched Housing Programs and Assisted Living Residences that want to exceed their retention standards must apply and be approved as an Enhanced Assisted Living Residence.